

**GRANULAR POLYSACCHARIDE
HAVING ENHANCED SURFACE CHARGE**

Abstract of the Disclosure

- 5 A modified polysaccharide having enhanced surface charge. The polysaccharide is modified to include a cationic polymer, preferably a polyquaternary amine, and has a surface charge from about +5 to about +20 mV. The modified polysaccharide can be advantageous incorporated into a papermaking furnish with enhanced retention.